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SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF CEAUSescu VISIT

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1. CHANGE ANNOUNCED REF B NEWS, WHICH ARRIVED NIACT IMMEDIATE, PASSED BY PHONE TO MFA USA DESK OFFICER RANGHET AT BUCHAREST OPENING OF BUSINESS MARCH 24. REF A DESCRIPTION OF MISUNDERSTANDING, WHICH ALSO REFLECTED IN MARCH 23 WIRELESS FILE, ARRIVED LATER, AND DCM HAS NOW CALLED ON RANGHET TO EXPLAIN IT. MEANWHILE DEP FONMIN GLIGA HAS REQUESTED I CALL ON HIM AT 4:30 P.M. THIS AFTER-NOON BUCHAREST TIME.

2. I PLAN TO QUERY GLIGA CONCERNING CEAUSescu SCHEDULE, ADVANCE TEAM AND STATUS OF ROMANIAN DRAFT COMMUNIQUE, AND WITH CC PLENUM WHICH DECIDED MACOVESCU'S REPLACEMENT BY ANDREI AND PUNGAN'S ELEVATION TO MINISTERIAL RANK OVER, HE MAY NOW HAVE SOME ANSWERS. BUT RANGHET REACTED NEGATIVELY, AND GLIGA WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY REACT IN SAME FASHION, TO MISUNDERSTANDING OVER ANNOUNCEMENT, AND SEEK EXPLANATION FROM ME.

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3. I INTEND TO SAY RECORD HAS BEEN CORRECTED TO SHOW DATES REQUESTED BY GOR, FROM ORIGINAL DATES PROPOSED STRESSING WASHINGTON PORTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARD U.S. PRACTICE. I WILL ALSO SAY I AM AUTHORIZED TO REASSURE HIM THAT PRESIDENT CEAUSescu'S STATE VISIT TO THE U.S. IS FOR PERIOD APRIL 12-17.

4. I WOULD LIKE TO BE AUTHORIZED TO ADD THAT OFFICIAL
WHITE HOUSE PRESS RELEASE CARRIES APRIL 12-17 DATES
AND THAT COPY IS BEING DELIVERED TO ROMANIAN EMBASSY IN
WASHINGTON.

5. COMMENT. WHILE I AM AWARE THAT ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE
ORALLY AND THAT TRANSCRIPT HAS SINCE BEEN CORRECTED, I
BELIEVE IT IS HIGHLY IMPORTANT TO HAVE A WRITTEN STATE-
MENT WHICH ACCORDS TEXTUALLY WITH ANNOUNCEMENT AS
ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED AND PRESENTED TO ROMANIANS, AS
AMENDED BY NEW DATES. IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL IF
USIS REFERENCES TO VISIT WERE TO DESCRIBE IT AS STATE
VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 12-17.
REQUEST ADVISE IN TIME FOR MY MEETING WITH GLIGA.
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